**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

PUBLIC SERVICES – Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department – Allegations of Corruption against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District (Now Retired) – Trapped on 30.06.2011 – Pending in Court of law – Departmental action initiated – Articles of Charges framed - WSD submitted - Appointment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer under sub-rule (2) and (5) of Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 - Orders – Issued.

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**PANCHYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No.166** **Dated:22/02/2024**

**Read the following:-**

1. From the Director General, ACB, A.P., Rc.No.152/RCT-VSK/2011, Dt.06.07.2013.
2. Govt. Memo.No.15128/Vig.IV/A1/2011-2, PR&RD(Vig.IV) Dept., dt.05.09.2013.
3. From the CEO, ZPP, Srikakulam., Proceedings Rc.No.3689/2011/C2 (C4), dated:07.11.2013.
4. WSD submitted by Sri B.V.Ramana, Superintendent & MPDO (FAC),Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District, Dt.02.01.2014.
5. From the CPR, A.P., Lr.Rc.No.959879/CPR&RD/VIG-ACB/2011, dt.19.01.2024.
6. From the CEO, ZPP, Srikkaulam, Rc.No.3689/2011/C2, Dated:09.01.2024.
7. Govt. Memo.No.15128/Vig.III/A1/2011-2, PR&RD(Vig.III) Dept., dt.06.02.2024.
8. From the DG, ACB, Rc.No.152/RCT-VSK/2011-S.12, Dt.14.02.2024.

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**O R D E R:**

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P., has sent a final report in the ACB trap case of Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District (Now Retired), wherein it had requested besides the sanction of prosecution to initiate departmental action also, under Rule 9(7) r/w 3(1) & (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 against the Accused Officer for non submission of Annual Property Returns.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj, A.P., was requested to initiate Departmental action for non submission of annual property returns in his entire service against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District (Now Retired), for violation of Rule 9(7) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam has issued Article of Charges against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District (Now Retired), for violation of Rule 9(7) of APCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

4. In the reference 4th read above, Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District (Now Retired) has submitted his Written Statement of Defense.

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5. In the reference 5th read above, the Commissioner Panchayat Raj, A.P., has informed that the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam in the reference 6th read above has informed that the charged officer was retired form service on 31.08.2017 on attaining the age of superannuation and requested to instruct the Director General, ACB, to nominate presenting officer in the case, to conduct regular inquiry in the matter.

6. After examination of the matter, the Government have decided to conduct regular inquiry under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules r/w Rule (9) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, Government hereby appoint the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam as an Inquiry Officer, under Rule 20 (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991, to conduct detailed Inquiry against Sri Behara Venkataramana, Office Superintendent and Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC), Kotturu Mandal, Srikakulam District(Retired), into the charges framed against him.

7. Government also hereby appoint Sri K.Bhaskara Rao, Inspector of Police, ACB, Srikakulam Range, as Presenting Officer, to present the case before the Inquiry Officer, appointed in para-6 above, on behalf of the Government, under Rule, 20 (5) (C) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

8. The Presenting Officer, shall well acquaint himself with the facts of the case and present the case, before the Inquiry Officer, effectively. He is also requested to obtain and produce all necessary documents required by the Inquiry Officer, during the course of Inquiry and defend the case.

9. The Inquiry Officer is requested to conduct Inquiry strictly in terms of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 and submit his report in 3 (three) months, as required under sub-rule 18(ii) of the above said Rule. He is requested to inform the date of inquiry well in advance to enable the presenting officer to present the case. Copies of charge memo issued to the Charged Officer and Written statement of defense submitted by the Charged Officer are herewith furnished to the Inquiry Officer as required under Rule 20(7) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**B RAJSEKHAR**
**SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
The Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam (we)
Sri K.Bhaskara Rao, Inspector of Police, ACB, Srikakulam Range through the Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Individual concerned, through the Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Srikakulam.
Copy to;
The Commissioner, PR&RD, AP., Tadepalli, Guntur District.
The Director General, ACB, A.P., Vijayawada.
The P.S to Spl. CS to Govt., (PR&RD)
Sc/Sf.

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SECTION OFFICER